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Description	TM Ref	Art#	Amount	Description	Amount
Electronic Message Board	ATM 2014	30	186.40	Town Hall Meeting Rooms	35,000.00
DPW One Ton Dump Truck	ATM 2015	23	11,008.00		
Middle School Safety Bollards	ATM 2015	28	14,877.00		
4x4 Rack Body Truck	ATM 2015	32	5,412.00		
Stetson Electrical	ATM 2015	29	3,516.60		
			35,000.00		35,000.00

#### **ARTICLE 43. APPROPRIATE FUNDS – PHASE II MASTER PLAN**

To see if the Town will vote, to appropriate \$30,000.00 U.S. dollars, from “Certified Free Cash” to “conduct phase II of Hanover 300 Master Plan, which will be directed with the Metropolitan Area Planning Council (MAPC), to promote a vision for Hanover’s future development and preservation.” Within the scope approved, and for the purposes approved by this Town Meeting, said funds to be expended for the purposes stated herein by the Town Manager, under the direction of the Community Preservation Committee, or take any other action relative thereto.

Town Planner  
Town Manager

**We move the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$30,000 from Certified Free Cash to be used as set forth in the Article.**

#### **ARTICLE 44. ADOPT MGL CH. 90 §17C, §18B – SPEED LIMITS**

To see if the Town will adopt as local options Massachusetts General Law Chapter 90 §17C establishment of 25-miles per hour speed limit in thickly settled or business districts, and §18B establishment of designated safety zones, or take any other action relative thereto.

Board of Selectmen

**We move the Town accept this Article as written.**

#### **ARTICLE 45. APPROPRIATE FUNDS - TECHNOLOGY UPGRADES**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, from certified free cash, the sum of \$100,000.00, to upgrade or replace obsolete hardware including, but not limited to, firewalls, switches, wireless access points, servers, desktops and laptops, or take any other action relative thereto.

Director of Technology

**We move that the Town vote to appropriate from Certified Free Cash the sum of \$65,000 to be used as set forth in this Article. We further move to form a committee for further study and report back to the next Annual Town Meeting. Said temporary committee will be known as the Information Technology Study Committee and will be comprised of five citizens at-large of the Town, two to be appointed by the Board of Selectmen, two to be appointed by the School Committee, and one to be appointed by the Moderator.**

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*Commentary: The Advisory Committee supports the motion of the Board of Selectmen.*

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*Commentary: This Article appropriates free cash to be used to upgrade and replace certain Town-wide technology with an anticipated lifespan of more than five years. The Advisory Committee has concluded that the proposed upgrades are necessary and appropriate, but we believe that they can be completed at a reduced cost. Specifically, the proposal to spend \$65,000 to upgrade six school servers appears high. With respect to future technology upgrade requests, the Advisory Committee recommends that a study committee be established to evaluate the current information technology capabilities of the Town, the current and projected needs and the development of a long-term strategic plan for identifying and prioritizing future technology upgrades.*

#### ARTICLE 46. AGGREGATION VOTE 1

We move that the Town vote to refer this Article to the Board of Selectmen for further study.

*Commentary: This Article and the next Article would formally begin the Town down a path to implement an electrical load aggregation program and to become an aggregator, as permitted under State law. Load aggregation is the formation of a group of consumers into a single buying pool for the direct purchase of electricity supply. If the Town were to become an aggregator, each participating resident would ultimately enter into a service agreement directly with the supplier chosen by the Town. As an aggregator, the Town's primary role is to act as a catalyst or agent, introducing interested customers to a suitable supplier. The Town would determine the service constituents want to acquire, solicits bids, and chooses a supplier. If approved and formed the Town, in its role as aggregator and its participants enter a service agreement with the chosen supplier. Once the contracts are entered, the Town's aggregator role is monitoring and overseeing the contract.*

*A primary reason often cited for establishing a municipal load aggregation is to provide constituents with a service they want in a manner they cannot obtain competitively from other sources. This is a worthy goal, however, the Advisory Committee is concerned that there has yet to be a full evaluation of the impact of implementing a load aggregation program on Town personnel and resources. Further, the Advisory Committee has not been made aware of the*